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Golden Valley Bancshares Reports First Quarter 2023 Results (Unaudited)

CHICO, Calif. – Golden Valley Bancshares (OTC Markets: <u>GVYB</u>), with its wholly owned subsidiary, Golden Valley Bank headquartered in Chico, California today reported first quarter 2023 net profit of \$990,796 compared to \$1,168,966 for the quarter ended March 31, 2022. While earnings were down year over year, they were ahead of the Bank's forecast for the first three months. The difference in earnings is primarily attributed to higher interest expense on deposit accounts, a result of the increased interest rate environment.

Loans increased \$18.0 million or 8.1% to \$241.3 million as of March 31, 2023, compared to \$223.3 million as of March 31, 2022, net of the Paycheck Protection Program. Asset quality continues to be excellent as there were no loans considered to be non-performing. By comparison, the average was 0.47% of total assets for the Bank's national peer group, based on data provided as of December 31, 2022 (the most recent data available). The company has set aside \$3.94 million in allowance for credit losses to protect it from future economic uncertainties.

"We are happy with our first quarter results, especially with the uncertainty in the banking industry that occurred at the end of the quarter," said President and Chief Executive Officer Mark Francis, "we are doing better than we expected and are ready to respond to our customers needs."

While deposits were down slightly in the quarter, 1.3% to \$436.5 million compared to the same period last year, the Bank has seen increasing activity since quarter end. The Bank has experienced extraordinary deposit growth since 2018 due to natural disasters and the pandemic stimulus.

"We continue to be a safe and secure bank for our customers and the community," said Francis. "Our Oroville office construction continues and we expect to open this summer."

Golden Valley continues to be a well-capitalized bank and far exceeds minimum regulatory requirements. More complete financial information can be viewed on the Bank's website.

Golden Valley Bancshares, a bank holding company with its wholly owned subsidiary, Golden Valley Bank is a locally owned and operated commercial bank serving the needs of individuals and businesses in northern California. The Bank has full service offices in Chico and Redding, California. For more information regarding the bank please call at (530) 894-1000 or visit goldenvalley.bank.

Forward-Looking Statements

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